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Hi everyone,

Attached are my full notes from Tuesday's meeting. Summary and next steps copied below.

Laurie and Chris, I also wanted to ask if you would circulate a request to some of your colleagues across the country inquiring as to whether anyone has ever encountered a TMDL that addressed aesthetic use.

Leanne

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**Summary:** We'll need to incorporate the concepts and intent of the Anacostia Ruling into the Budd Inlet (and Puget Sound) TMDL. Ultimately, we need a method/rationale for showing how waste load allocations meet aesthetic use criteria. We are not yet decided whether this will entail a more basic description/justification or a more robust analysis/model.

**Next Steps:** We will all do more research in the next couple of weeks before we meet again. Leanne to look into whether aesthetics ever been listed on the 303d list.

Laurie/Chris to check in with Rochelle Labiosa in the Standards Unit at EPA. She may have some insights from the harmful algae bloom program about what it means to meet aesthetic use criteria.

Ecology will look into whether anyone from our standards group has an opinion on this.

Some other places to look include:

- Chesapeake TMDL.
- Anything in WA or OR?
- TMDL Database (from Laurie).
- Washington DC has a numeric criteria for Chlorophyll A and Secchi Depth.
- EPA National Nutrient Database (Chris Mentioned this, not sure of exact name).

We will also need to consider how to consider other designated uses.

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#### **Future Agenda Items and Meetings**

- Continue discussion on aesthetic use. (Focus on implementable approaches.)
- Leanne to send some additional items before next meeting.
- Anything else from Chris/Laurie?

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Our next meeting will be **January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 - 4:00.**

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